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03 - 60 Circumcision Procedures No Longer Covered by Medicaid:

Effective September 15, 2003 circumcision procedures will no longer be covered by Utah Medicaid whether done in the hospital or in the physician office. For several years, there has been a national campaign to eliminate circumcision from funding because of the elective, non-therapeutic nature of the procedure rather than medical necessity. The Legislative Appropriation from the last session of the Utah Legislature did not provide funding to continue coverage. Accordingly, revenue code 723 will be closed to use by hospitals on a UB-92 claim. If there is a verifiable, medically necessary indication for a circumcision, a physician may request an exception through the prior authorization process and review of the request by the Utilization Review committee. A family may choose to have the circumcision procedure completed, but must work out a private payment arrangement with the physician in his office.

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